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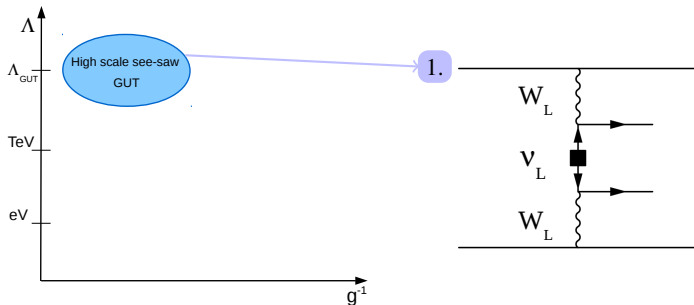
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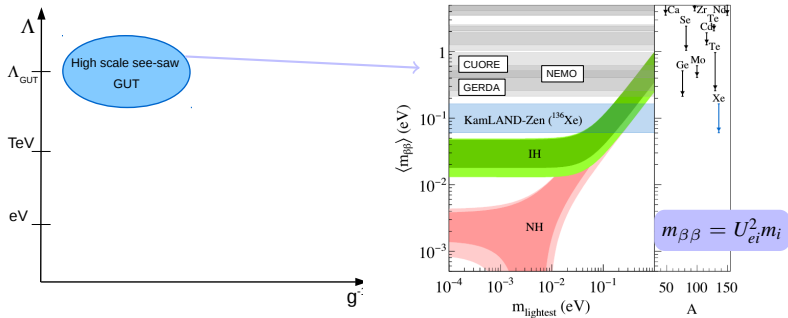


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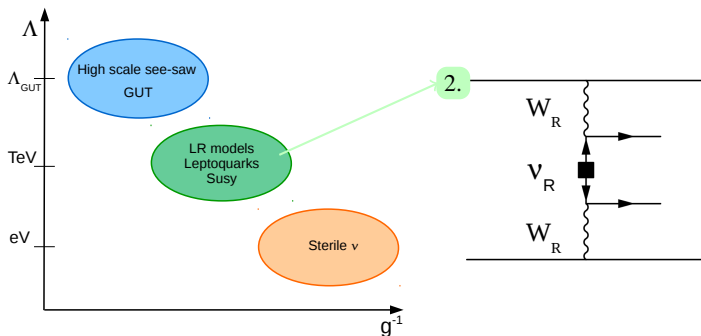
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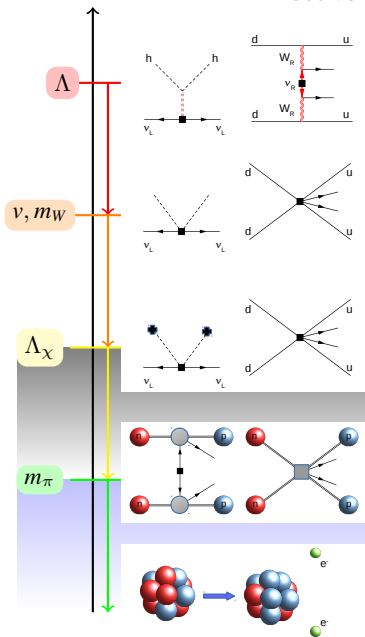
2. LNV at intermediate scales

$0\nu\beta\beta$ is mediated by new particles, accessible at colliders?

3. very light and weakly coupled new physics

general framework to interpret $0\nu\beta\beta$ exp.?
with controlled uncertainties ?

Effective Field Theories approach to LNV



new physics $\Lambda \gg \nu$

SMEFT operators

$SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{\text{em}}$ operators

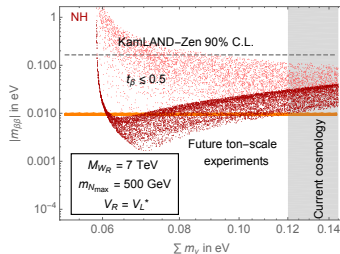
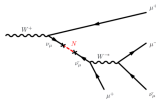
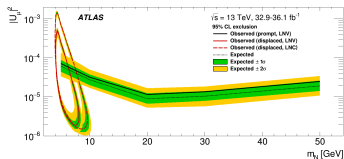
non perturbative QCD

Chiral Effective Theory

strong nuclear interactions

Many body

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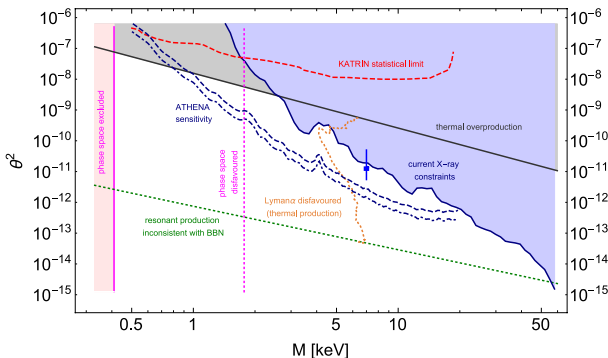
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Q1: What is the connection between $0\nu\beta\beta$ and LNV observables at collider experiments?

ATLAS, CMS, FASER, EIC, ShIP, MATHUSLA, ...

- What is the best strategy to explore this connection?
 SMEFT, simplified models, UV complete models?

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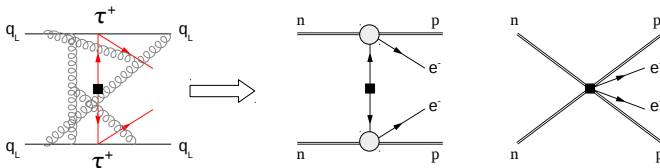


A. Boyarsky, *et al.* '18.

Q2: What are the $0\nu\beta\beta$ constraints on models with ν_R in the KeV-GeV mass range relevant to low-scale leptogenesis scenarios?

- How are such scenarios affected by new ν_R interactions at the TeV scale?

From quark to nucleons



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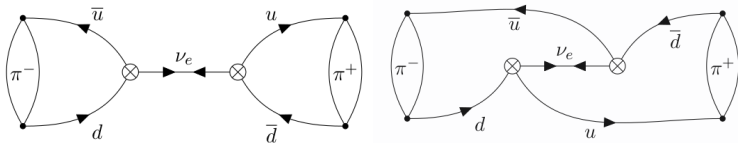
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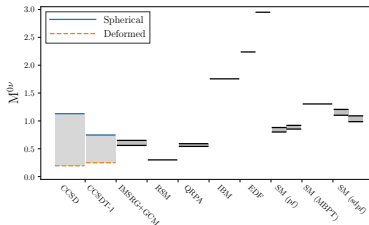
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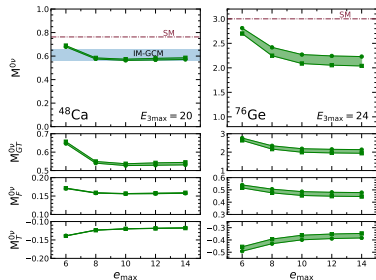
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From few-body to many-body



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- first *ab initio* calculations in $0\nu\beta\beta$ candidates
- coupled-cluster calculation of $^{48}\text{Ca} \rightarrow ^{48}\text{Ti}$
- in medium similarity ren. group (IMSRG) for ^{48}Ca , ^{76}Ge and ^{82}Se

Q4: Do many-body correlations preserve the EFT hierarchy of the two-body transition operators?

Conclusion

What will you work on between now and Snowmass, and what is your schedule for developing a contributed paper?

- contributed paper by March/April,
- summarize achievements across the fields of particle physics, lattice QCD, EFTs and many-body methods,
- outline multi-year research plan for the theory of $0\nu\beta\beta$

What common data sets, joint efforts, etc. do you need?

- joint effort between particle physics, lattice and EFTs

What would you like to come out of the Snowmass process?

- support for a theory initiative to coordinate high-energy physics (neutrino mass models, leptogenesis), LNV studies at colliders & lattice QCD and EFT for $0\nu\beta\beta$